

Dear California Coastal Commission,

My name is Ian Joseph from the Piedmont Middle School Green Team class. I am almost thirteen years old, in two days I will hit the teen stage. I like to play basketball and soccer. I am afraid of the flooding that may occur soon will slightly affect our shoreline.

My teacher Mr. John White has asked me to propose ideas of addressing rising seas. I am very aware of some of the high tides that are rising. I propose the idea of hard protection. Although it may restrict some areas of the shore, it will give people the high tide protection they need.

I also propose that we monitor the tides and patterns of the tides so the hard protection corresponds to the hard protection. Throughout the tide patterns, your commission can adjust to the patterns and build different structures to contain the tide. I appreciate what your commission is doing, and I hope you will consider the input of my recommendations.

Thank you,
Ian Joseph

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Ian Joseph". The signature is stylized with a large, sweeping "I" and a cursive "Joseph".